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MONDAY, AUGUST 1, 1910.

WEATHER FORECAST.

For Palestine and vicinity:
Tonight and Tuesday partly cloudy weather.

EXAGGERATED NEWS REPORTS.

People over the state and over the country generally should not be misled or misinformed as to the actual conditions in this county regarding the community trouble at Slocum. In fact, newspaper reporters should be very careful to give only what seems to be justified by actual facts and let it go at that. Any attempt to make a sensation out of it for the sake of making sales for the yellow journals should be frowned upon and disapproved. The Herald has been active in its efforts to get at the truth of the situation, and knows as a matter of fact that many of the reports sent broadcast over the country are untrue in many particulars. As to the situation, every effort by the authorities have been to restore peace and keep down further trouble. The bringing of troops and the rangers here has been in the direction of restoring peace and giving assurance of ability on the part of the authorities to handle the situation, and not because of any grave apprehension of extensive trouble, as has been supposed by some. Exaggerated reports of the trouble are not calculated to do Anderson county any good and every law-abiding, loyal citizen should use his best efforts to see that only the truth is told.

THERE'S DANGER OF TYPHOID.

In preaching the good health doctrines these hot days Health Commissioner Bosley and Assistant Commissioner Jones are telling the people to use boiled water for drinking purposes and by no means to allow babies to drink water unless it is boiled. Both physicians say that until the city's filtration system is a reality there is danger of typhoid fever.

"Many families are using filters on their hydrants," said Dr. Jones, "and this is a good idea, provided the filter is an effective one; but there are germs which even a small filter will not detect, and so the best way is to boil the water. Many persons say that they cannot drink boiled water; that it is tasteless. For that matter, all water is tasteless, except some of the mineral kinds. If the water is allowed to cool, it will become aerated as it grows cold and there is nothing lost from its quenching qualities."

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At Lyric Theatre on Main St., Wednesday and Saturday Afternoons, 5 to 6 O'Clock.

putting ice in drinking water, physicians say, is risky. It is better not to allow the ice to touch the water at all. The juice of a lemon in a pitcher of drinking water, not enough to make lemonade of it, but just to give the water an almost imperceptible acid tang, makes the drink doubly refreshing and keeps the stomach in good condition.—Baltimore Evening Sun.

ALL TEXAS IS DESIRABLE.

The population of Texas has increased nearly 100 per cent within the past ten years, and still the state has hardly begun to settle up. Eventually this state will be home to 15,000,000 or 20,000,000 of people. People are just beginning to learn of the greatness of East Texas, and we may expect a great rush to this section within the next year or two.—Palestine Herald.

East Texas is wonderful, West Texas is wonderful and South Texas is wonderful. The whole state is the nearest approach out of doors to the garden of Eden. No need to worry about its settling. Sooner or later it will be carrying its limit of population and every one of them will be accounted fortunate.—Austin Statesman.

Anderson county democracy is on record as refusing to endorse Senator Bailey. Make the most of it.

Anderson county could stand a good rain just now. Some of the young cotton needs moisture to make it fruit as it should.

Alas, if Anderson county could get the same amount of publicity concerning its great crops and climate what a fame would be ours.

Governor Campbell has the confidence and esteem of his county people. This fact was clearly demonstrated in the democratic county convention held here Saturday.

Last call, Mr. Candidate. You are warned that tomorrow is the last day on which you can legally file your campaign expense account. This requirement is made of the defeated candidate as well as the successful one. It is a violation of law not to file your account.

Brethren, let's get away from political discord and other disturbing influences for a time now, and get right down to business. We are all interested in the future of the town, and the first prizes to be gathered in are the two city parks. Here is a good work in which we can all unite. It is the one chance in our life as a community to get two beautiful parks without a dollar's cost in extra taxation, and we should embrace the opportunity.

TEXAS NEWS NOTES.

Governor Campbell receives many requests urging legislation on various subjects.

Houston mounted policemen encountered a cattle thief. A fusillade followed and the thief escaped.

Two rangers and a Mexican were killed and two rangers injured near San Benito, Texas.

Dr. Bruce Wallace of Houston was found dead in his office.

The contract of the Wells Fargo Express company with the Texas Central railroad has another year and a halt to run.

Houston sent 2100 people to Galveston on Sunday to see the cotton carnival features.

State Commissioner Stiles is now locating levees for reclamation of Texas lands.

Colquitt and Bailey will control the state democratic convention.

Davidson's plurality is reduced by late returns.

TEXAS BASEBALL LEAGUE.

Results yesterday:

Dallas 7, Fort Worth 2.
Houston 1, Galveston 1.
Waco 3, San Antonio 0.
San Antonio 5, Waco 3.
Shreveport 2, Oklahoma City 1.
Shreveport 5, Oklahoma City 0.

Herald Want Ads. bring results

SITUATION IN HAND THE LAW EFFECTIVE

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take up an investigation as to the cause of the trouble and try and fix the responsibility for the shootings.

Marsh Holley In Jail.

Marsh Holley, the negro on whose note a white man went, and which transaction is credited by some with being the origin of the whole trouble, was locked up yesterday. He asked to be locked up and protected. He says it was his note all right, but denies any further knowledge of the trouble, and knows nothing of any threats or organization on the part of the negroes, and says he knows nothing of the trouble in any way.

Prisoners From Crockett.

Sheriff Lacy of Houston county arrived in the city on the 1:15 afternoon train, having in charge two white men, Steve Jenkins and Kirkwood, arrested in connection with the negro trouble in the northern part of that county, a part of the same trouble in this county. The sheriff was joined at the station here by local officers, who escorted the prisoners to the county jail.

A Visit to Slocum.

The following observations are made after a visit to the scene of the trouble:

The dead:

Cleve Larkin, aged 18 years.
John Hays, aged 30 years.
Alex Holley, aged 23 years.
Sam Baker, aged 28 years.
Ben Dancer, aged 70 years.
Jeff Wilson, aged 18 years.
Dick Wilson, aged 45 years.
Will Burley, age unknown.

The wounded:

Charley Wilson, aged 15 years.
Lusk Holley, aged 18 years.

The missing:

Ned Larkin.
Abe Wilson and his son.
Ned Forman.

The eight negroes above mentioned are the only ones whose bodies have thus far been found, although, as Sheriff Black states, there may be others whose remains will only be revealed "by the buzzards." They all seem to be accounted for, however, except the four above mentioned as being missing. As a matter of fact, while the term "missing" might be inappropriate, the fact is that the populous negro communities in the southern end of the county are deserted, the negroes having fled to Palestine to the north, while some have taken refuge in the homes of white protectors.

The two wounded darkies are in the home of their mother, Ava Wilson, some 23 miles south of Palestine and about five miles south of Slocum. Their injuries are quite serious, but they are not complaining of the effect of the wounds and their mother says that they have not had medical attention since their wounds were first dressed.

The two boys tell very graphic stories of the shooting. Charley Wilson says that he, his uncle, Lusk Holley (who is but 18 years of age), and Cleve Larkin, his nephew, left their grandmother's house, situated near Sadler's Creek, to go about half a mile to their mother's house to attend the stock. In the road they suddenly met several white men, numbering some six or seven, and the negroes, without a word of warning, were fired upon. This occurred between 6 and 7 o'clock in the morning of Friday. None of the white men were disguised, and the boy gives the names of two whom he recognized. The weapons used were shotguns and winchesters. Cleve Larkin was killed and Charley Wilson was wounded. Larkin was, so far as known, the first negro killed.

Lusk Holley, the other negro who is wounded, also tells equally as graphic a story. On Friday night, between 10 and 11 o'clock, he, together with Alex Holley and William Forman, were crossing Ioni Creek, coming towards Palestine for the purpose of seeking protection. They were suddenly confronted by 18 or 20 white men, only one of whom was mounted, the others being on foot and following their leader in single file. When the negroes were discovered, the leader whistled which seemed to be a signal for the firing to commence. Five shots were fired, in which Alex Holley was killed and Lusk Holley was wounded. Forman disappeared and has not since been heard from.

Relative to the boy's estimate of some 18 or 20 being in the party, Captain Rees Fowler is disposed to discredit this statement, also others that have gained circulation of the marauding party consisting of a large number. He says the best information he can gather is that there were not more than 10 or 12 at the most. He bases this estimate upon the fact that he found no one who at any time heard more than 25 shots and as

double-barrel shotguns or winchesters were used, the explosion of both barrels would not make more than the number 12 he credits.

Dr. Funderburk at Slocum says that in every case shotguns were used, the missiles being buckshot except in one case, when squirrel shot was used. He examined the bodies of the dead negroes. All but two or three were shot from behind.

The primary cause of the trouble seems to have been the circulation of rumors which, so far as can be learned, had no foundation. The most serious rumor and the one which seems to have excited the white people of that section, was that the negroes were nightly assembling in Cherokee county and in the southern portion of Anderson county for the purpose of rising and killing the whites. One of these reports had been told from mouth to mouth, each time being added to and magnified, none of the details being lacking. This rumor was that the negroes intended to commence their attack on Mr. Wise's farm, the home was to be set on fire and as the inmates attempted to escape they were to be killed. The fire alarm was then to be rung and as the neighbors responded they were to be assassinated. Other primary causes of the trouble was the report, which is vouched for by Mr. Spurger, who is under arrest, who stated that the white road overseer of his district had sent a negro to summon him and other white men. At the appointed time he responded, taking a dollar with him, also his gun, the latter of which he intended to use in hunting squirrels upon his return home. The negro who summoned him made some slurring remarks about his gun, which he verbally resented at the time. After he had gone the negro made some insulting comment which was repeated to him (Spurger). Spurger afterwards hunted up the negro and asked him about the comment, but the latter denied having made it, adding that if he did he was too frightened at the time to have been responsible for it. Another cause of the trouble was Mr. Alford having gone on the note of a negro and the latter declined to make good the obligation at the proper time. The primary cause, however, was the exaggerated rumors which had gained circulation.

The result of these rumors was that Friday, Friday night and Saturday the white people of the southern portion of the county were terrified. The women and children were assembled in the school houses and churches under the guard of armed men. The young white men were sent to guard every country cross-road. A visit to the scene of the riot on yesterday and an inspection of the negro cabins showed the signs of the fusillade of bullets which had been fired by the marauding party.

So far as known the killing was confined to Friday, beginning early in the day and extending to late that night. The radius of the operation embraced a strip of country half a mile wide and some six miles in length, this being largely confined to the marsh and creek bottoms.

POLITICS AND POLITICIANS.

Massachusetts republicans will hold their state convention in Boston October 6.

John C. Hart, former attorney general of Georgia, has withdrawn from the gubernatorial race in that state.

Senator Thomas H. Carter of Montana, the father of the postal savings bank law, is working hard for reelection.

Governor Sanders of Louisiana, who has been elected to the vacant seat in the United States senate, is a radical democrat and a strong supporter of Bryan.

A movement is under way in Delaware to have the coming democratic state convention arrange a primary election to decide on the party's candidate for United States senator.

Eugene N. Foss of Massachusetts, the democrat who carried the rock-ribbed republican Fourteenth district, is now being mentioned as a probable nominee for vice president.

The Iowa republican state convention at Des Moines next week will have an added interest because Senator Cummins is going to preside as temporary chairman and deliver the keynote speech.

Republicans of Tennessee will meet in state convention in Nashville on August 16 to name the party candidate for governor and railroad commissioner and to adopt a platform for the fall campaign.

Governor Shafroth has called a special session of the Colorado legislature to meet early in August to consider legislation providing for the initiative and referendum, the Australian (or headless) ballot, direct primaries, guarantee of bank deposits, a

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Saturday's express brought us a shipment of new chiffon panama skirts in black.

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The Fashion
Sam Brooks

public service commission and the creation of a state railroad commission.

The republican state convention in New York will not be held until the last week of September, which will make the campaign the shortest one the Empire State has witnessed in many years.

The republican congressional campaign committee will begin the campaign for control of the house of representatives in about three weeks. From that time until the November election the contest will be on in nearly every state of the union.

The contest in Maine between Judge Frederick A. Powers and ex-Governor William T. Cobb to succeed United States Senator Eugene Hale will probably be made a three-cornered affair by the entry of Congressman Edwin C. Burleigh of the Third district.

The first members of the Sixty-second congress will be chosen in Vermont, where the state election takes place early in September. The returns will be scanned closely by the leaders of both parties as they will be taken as an indication of the political current throughout the country.

Interest in the state campaign in California is growing in intensity with the near approach of the date

for the first primary election. Hiram Johnson, who has the indorsement of the Roosevelt-Republican League; C. F. Curry, secretary of state; Alden Anderson, state superintendent of banks, and P. A. Stanton, speaker of the assembly, are engaged in a fierce contest for the republican nomination for governor. The democratic nomination is practically conceded to T. A. Bell, former member of congress and temporary chairman of the democratic national convention at Denver in 1908.

SPECIAL SOLDIER TRAIN

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This evening at 6 o'clock arrive in Palestine a special train of thirteen cars bearing the U. S. signal corps, bound for Leon Springs, where maneuvers are now taking place. The soldier boys will take supper here, etc.

L. O. T. M.

Palestine Hive No. 67, L. O. T. M., will meet Tuesday, August 2, at 2:30 p. m., in Maccabee Hall. Members requested to be present.

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